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SUBJ: BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON NAURU'S CABINET

1. THE FOLLOWING BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED BY NAURU'S CONSUL GENERAL IN MELBOURNE.

2. THE HONORABLE KENAS AROI, MP--MINISTER FOR ISLAND DEVELOPMENT AND INDUSTRY; MINISTER FOR CIVIL AVIATION. THE HONORABLE KENAS AROI, MP, WHE RESIGNED AS SPEAKER (TO WHICH POSITION HE WAS RE-ELECTED ON 21 DECEMBER, 1976) ON APPOINTMENT AS A MINISTER, WAS BORN ON 17 APRIL 1942, AND EDUCATED LOCALLY AND AT SWINBURNE TECHNICAL COLLEGE, VICTORIA. HE WAS A MEMBER OF NAURU'S CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION WHICH PRECEDED INDEPENDENCE AND WAS FIRST ELECTED TO PARLIAMENT IN 1968. HE HAS TRAVELED WIDELY ON BEHALF OF THE REPUBLIC, AND IN PARTICULAR IN HIS CAPACITY AS SPEAKER, HAS ATTENDED A NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES OF THE COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION AND SIMILAR BODIES. HE HAS BEEN SPEAKER OF THE NAURU PARLIAMENT SINCE 1971 AND SITS FOR THE BOE CONSTITUENCY. HE IS A QUALIFIED PLEADER IN THE ISLAND COURTS. HE IS MARRIED WITH FOUR CHILDREN.

3. THE HONORABLE KINZA CLODUMAR, MP--MINISTER FOR FINANCE; MINISTER ASSISTING THE PRESIDENT. BORN ON FEBRUARY 8, 1945. THE HON. KINZA CLODUMAR HAS REPRESENTED THE AIWO CONSTITUENCY SINCE 1971. HE WAS EDUCATED AT LOCAL SCHOOLS, AT SCOTTS
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SCHOOL, BATHURST, NEW SOUTH WALES, AND ALSO THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY, CANBERRA, TAKING A DEGREE IN POLITICS AND ECONOMICS. SINCE JOINING THE PUBLIC SERVICE IN 1970 HE HAS BEEN WORKING IN THE ISLAND'S DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION AND HAS PLAYED A LEADING PART IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF AIR NAURU'S SERVICES WHICH NOW SPAN THE PACIFIC. HE HAS ALSO SERVED SINCE 1974 AS DIRECTOR AND SECRETARY OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAURU FINANCE

CORPORATION. HE IS MARRIED WITH THREE CHILDREN.

4. THE HON. RUEBEN KUN, MP--MINISTER FOR WORKS AND COMMUNITY. BORN ON MARCH 30, 1942, AND EDUCATED AT LOCAL SCHOOLS, KNOX GRAMMAR, SYDNEY AND THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY. HE IS A QUALIFIED TEACHER HOLD THE NEW SOUTH WALES JUNIOR SECONDARY TEACHERS' CERTIFICATE. LIKE THE NEW PRESIDENT HE IS A QUALIFIED PLEADER IN THE ISLAND COURTS. HE IS MARRIED WITH FIVE CHILDREN.

5. THE HON. LAWRENCE STEPHEN, MP--MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND EDUCATION. BORN JUNE 6, 1939. SECONDARY EDUCATION RECEIVED IN SYDNEY. GRADUATED AS A PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER (T.P.T.C.) AT THE AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL OF PACIFIC ADMINISTRATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH BALMAIN TEACHERS COLLEGE. ACQUIRED A DIPLOMA OF T.E.S.L. AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA. HE WAS APPOINTED TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE IN 1962. HE IS MARRIED WITH SIX CHILDREN.
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